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The following report includes information on the Sokolov Chemical Factories, the Meopta Optical Factory in Prerov, and the Sigma Pump Enterprise.

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II. MEOPTA

Meopta, the precision-instrument and optical factory in Prerov, now employs about 1,600 persons. Monthly production is 15 million crowns worth?, and most of it is for export. The factory's present production is almost exclusively civilian goods. Its production program is about as follows:

1. Cameras
 - a. Optiflex, semiautomatic reflex, 6 x 6
 - b. Opima, 24 x 36 mm, for moving-picture film, something like a Leica
 - c. Mikroma, 10 x 14 mm, for 16-mm moving-picture film
 - d. Magnola, 18 x 24 cm, for professional photography
2. Projection Equipment
 - a. Sound projector for 16-mm film, for professional use
 - b. Same, for amateurs
 - c. Silent projector, for 8-mm film, for amateurs
 - d. Projector (magic lantern) for 4 x 4 lantern slides
 - e. Photographic enlarging equipment, 6 x 6, 6 x 9, 18 x 24
3. Observation Equipment
 - a. Field glasses: 4 x 15 opera glasses
4 x 20
6 x 30 standard
6 x 30 military binoculars (for export to Argentina)
 - b. Magnifying glasses
 - c. Microscopes
4. Aiming Devices
 - a. Gun sights for hunting rifles, 4 x 30
5. Repairs on Military Equipment
 - a. Repairs on 200 stereoscopic telemeters, one-meter base (German Stereo EM's)

The plan calls for the manufacture of five prototypes of scissors telemeters. These are something new. The Germans made similar equipment at the end of the war, but only a few of them.

In June 1949, parts for the R-program (i.e., Soviet) periscopes were completed. The periscopes were produced only in the form of unassembled parts. During their production and after their completion, very strict security was observed, and all the plans and other documents were guarded by the management of the enterprise. It is impossible to obtain any but oral information concerning methods and quantities.

III. SIGMA NATIONAL ENTERPRISE IN OLOMOUC

The former manager of the entire combine, Engineer Malik, has been discharged because of political unreliability and indifference to the party. Malik was replaced by V. Grubner, former manager of the Kunc branch factory in Hranice.

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Personnel Director Danek has been relieved and replaced by a helper, Podivinski, whom I know to have difficulty in writing his own name.

Sales Manager Sedlacek, who was a Social Democrat before the merger of the parties, also has been removed and replaced by L. Handl.

The manager of the financial and economic-investment section, [another?] Sedlacek, has been replaced by 31-year-old Ant. Kajnar. This section controls the entire financial and economic business of the enterprise.

Antos, chairman of the Enterprise Council, was obliged to leave the enterprise because of differences of opinion on internal party matters between him and the party leadership in Olomouc. The Enterprise Council was dissolved. As it did not prove its value, it will not be reconstituted.

The Sigma National Enterprise in Olomouc has the following subsidiaries:

Chem, in Lutín, which produces heavy industrial pumps, other pumps, and sprayers for the following:

1. State machine stations (not for delivery to private farmers): plant sprayers, trade-marked Fenomen and Autofenomen (motor-driven).

2. Ministry of Agriculture (not to be delivered to private farmers): manure spreaders. Farmers who are regular members of cooperatives may apply for them, but the Ministry of Agriculture allocates them.

3. Ministry of National Defense: oscillating pumps and gasoline pumps for automobiles and aircraft; plastics and chemicals. Now only bakelite [is produced?]. The factory was established during the war to produce war materiel, gas, gas masks, and decontamination equipment. The factory has a foundry for nonferrous metals which now operates only for Sigma.

Kosmos, Olomouc, manufactures mechanical pumps and drills. It has a large foundry which also works on orders for other enterprises.

Kunc, in Hranice, manufactures industrial instruments and manual pumps.

Vitez, in Frerov, manufactures auxiliary pumps.

Cihelka*, in Haj near Opava, manufactures manual pumps.

Adlo*, in Cadca (Slovakia), manufactures insecticides and centrifugal pumps.

Tatzel, in Opava, manufactures pumps and air pumps for mines.

Hak, in Hodonin

Hoenig, in Hodonin, manufactures industrial equipment, such as valves, faucets, etc.

Hercik & Neugebauer, in Brno, manufactures equipment for fire engines.

Holman & Jerabek, in Plzen, and Ing. Maticka, in Prague, manufacture centrifugal pumps.

Rourovna Pisek (Pisek Pipe), in Pisek, produces mechanical pumps and waste pipes.

Chvojka*, in Prelouc, manufactures watering systems for livestock.

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Titan, in Prague - Stranice [product not given].

Gloria, in Frydlant [product not given].

Stratinsk, in Vysoke Myto [product not given].

Smekal, in Slatinany, manufactures fire engines.

Katschner, in Police, produces ironware and drills.

*Until 1 January 1950, the factory was operated by its original owner, but since then, he has not even had access to the factory. After the war, the production of cartridges in the Chema Factory in Lutín was stopped and the equipment partly dismantled; however, it is still available in the enterprise.

Status of Orders, September and October 1949
[for Sigma of Olomouc?]

September 1949	In Crowns
Orders outstanding as of 1 September 1949	127,672,047
Orders accepted in September 1949	<u>5,201,388</u>
	132,873,435
Orders canceled in September 1949	<u>4,019,042</u>
	128,854,393
Orders filled in September 1949	<u>2,195,412</u>
Orders outstanding as of 30 September 1949	126,658,412

Breakdown [of orders filled?] by currency area

Area*	Total 1 Jan - 30 Sep 1949 (in 1,000 crowns)	Percent of Plan
I	1,894	100
II	16,997	108
III	10,170	138
V	11,533	62
VI	6,197	60
VII	4,195	62
Total	50,986	84

Area	Total for Sep 1949 (in 1,000 crowns)	Percent of Plan
I	--	--
II	429	17
III	85	6
V	1,007	43
VI	607	68
VII	91	10
Total	2,219	28

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October 1949

In Crowns

Orders outstanding as of 1 October 1949

126,658,981

Orders accepted in October 1949

5,075,298

131,734,279

Orders canceled in October 1949

25,804,782

105,929,497

Orders filled in October 1949

9,398,049

Orders outstanding as of 31 October 1949

96,531,446

Breakdown [of orders filled] by currency area

<u>Area*</u>	<u>Total 1 Jan - 30 Oct 1949</u> <u>(in 1,000 crowns)</u>	<u>Percent of Plan</u>
I	2,118	120
II	19,622	116
III	16,072	196
V	12,159	71
VI	6,770	241
VII	4,195	54
Total	60,936	98

<u>Area</u>	<u>Total for Oct 1949</u> <u>(in 1,000 crowns)</u>	<u>Percent of Plan</u>
I	224	-- (no plan)
II	2,625	85
III	5,902	585
V	626	49
VI	573	241
VII	--	--
Total	9,950	119

*Areas: I, USSR; II, European planned-economy countries; III, Austria and Yugoslavia; [IV, not listed]; V, other European countries, including Iceland; VI, sterling area; VII, dollar area

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